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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed July 7, 2005, rejecting Claims 1-9 of the above-referenced Application, in which Claims 1-9 are pending, Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments be entered and remarks be considered. In view of these amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that the Application is now in condition for allowance and respectfully requests such action.